

54 Washington Street



Research in the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds, the Concord Library-Concord Room, and City Records showed the current address to be conveyed as land and building in 1850 from first owners William and Sarah Kelsea [formerly Sarah D Abbott-daughter of Joshua Abbott and Eliza Kimball] to Stephen Parker. Sarah is a descendant of William Abbott. William Kelsea worked in the publishing business, noted above and located at 66 State Street per in the Concord Directory for 1850 where the address of the house was known in 1850 as 30 Washington Street. Sarah Abbott and William Kelsea were married on September 21, 1840 and were both from Concord.

Morrill, Silsby, & Co, published 'The True American,' in 1841, containing the portraits of Washington, Adams, and Jefferson with a sketch of their lives and political characters. The Company business was book-binding, stereotyping and bookselling. Luther Masten Morrill was the Company co-owner for forty years.

The house is a Colonial style with a gable/hip roof and used as a multifamily apartment.